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A ship of distinction

DAVE JOHNSON
InPort News Staff

PORT COLBORNE — "It is with a lump in my throat and a tear in my eye that I stand here today, so humbled by the honour you have so graciously extended," Rad Latimer said last Thursday morning alongside the Welland Canal.

Latimer made the comment shortly after his wife, Jacqueline, pushed a button that sent a bottle of champagne crashing into the portside bow of the newly-named *MV Radcliffe R. Latimer*.

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THE MV RADCLIFFE R. LATIMER

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■ ALGOMA

An honour for Latimer

FROM PAGE 1

The vessel, part of Algoma Central Corp.'s large fleet, was the former *Algobay*, but had been renamed in honour of Latimer, a former chairman of the Algoma board of directors.

On hand for the ceremony, held at Snider Dock Services on the east wall of the canal, were members of Latimer's family, former Algoma board member and former lieutenant governor of Ontario Hal Jackman, Algoma employees and board members, and Algoma president and CEO Greg Wight.



I am so proud to have had this association over the last almost half-century with Algoma."

Rad Latimer

Latimer, who retired as chairman of the board in 2010 after 46 years with the shipping company, gave a brief history of Algoma and how it came to be. He said the most significant year for the company was in 1959.

"First, a handful of farsighted railway bond holders decided to restructure the Algoma Central and trade their bonds for common stock. The second event was the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway. This great international undertaking was to revolutionize the nature and importance of the Great Lakes fleets."

He said Algoma, which had operated as a railway company, had a fleet of ships on the lakes since 1899, making it the oldest operator on the Canadian lakes. However, the fleet was small and consisted of four boiler-fired steamships and one small ship suited to the grain trade.

"From that start as one of the



DAVE JOHNSON Staff Photo

From left, Algoma Central Corp.'s presidents and CEO Greg Wight, former Algoma Central Corp. board member and former Lieutenant Governor of Ontario Hal Jackman, Jacqueline and Rad Latimer, chief engineer Kazimierz Mankiewicz and Capt. Clarence Vautier, stand in front of the *Algobay* as it was renamed the *Radcliffe R. Latimer* on Thursday at the Snider Docks in Port Colborne.

"I am so proud to have had this association over the last almost half-century with Algoma," Latimer said.

Wight said Latimer "has played an important role in the success of Canadian business as well as Algoma Central."

"It is a privilege to have his name attached to one of our vessels. The *Algobay* was specifically chosen for this rededication due to Rad's role in its recent major refurbishment."

Latimer's wife was honoured

to take part in the renaming of the ship, one of the oldest traditions in the world.

"It's my understanding that the tradition began with the offering of a sacrifice, usually a goat or sheep, to the Gods to protect sailors and ships. Fortunately, it evolved in the late 1800s into the much more civilized tradition of breaking a bottle of champagne over the bow to christen her," she said before stepping to the panel that controlled the bottle.

ALGOMA FACTS

■ Algoma is a leading Canadian shipping company, owning and operating the largest Canadian flag fleet of dry-bulk carriers and product tankers operating on the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Waterway. The fleet includes 19 self-unloading dry-bulk carriers, nine gearless dry bulk carriers and seven product tankers. The company is a leader in dry-bulk and liquid bulk transportation focused on meeting the special needs of customers that ship products on the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Waterway. Algoma's dry-bulk fleet includes vessels of differing sizes and configurations, providing flexible shipping options for customers.

■ In 2011, Algoma began construction on the Algoma Equinox, the first ship in a new class of maximum seaway-size self-unloading and bulk carriers. By 2014, eight of these new vessels are expected to join the Algoma fleet, including two vessels that will be owned by the Canadian Wheat Board and managed by Algoma on their behalf.

■ Algoma owns a diversified ship repair and steel fabricating facility serving customers in the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence regions of Canada. Operating under the name Fraser Marine & Industrial, the company specializes in top-side ship repair and is skilled at assembling and deploying highly skilled technical teams during the short winter maintenance season for Great Lakes ship owners. During the navigation season, the company can rapidly dispatch teams for emergency ship repair to ports through the waterway and provides industrial services from its Port Colborne base.

■ Algoma also has interests in ocean dry-bulk and product tanker vessels operating in international markets. With interests in seven ocean dry-bulk vessels operating through the CSL International Pool, the company provides transportation services to a broad range of customers located primarily in North America.

■ In addition to its shipping businesses, Algoma owns and manages commercial real estate properties in Sault Ste. Marie, St. Catharines and Waterloo. Algoma's Sault Ste. Marie properties include a retail shopping mall, a hotel and conference centre managed by Delta Hotels, two office buildings, and a residential apartment building. These properties are all located on the waterfront in downtown Sault Ste. Marie. Algoma's properties in St. Catharines include three office buildings, two commercial plazas, and a light industrial plaza. The company's Waterloo properties include three office buildings, which together form the Waterloo Technology Campus.

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■ **BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY:** Program designed to attract new people

New faces in the pews

DAVE JOHNSON
InPort News Staff

PORT COLBORNE — Both First Evangelical Lutheran Church and St. James and St. Brendan Anglican Church saw more people in the pews last Sunday during Back to Church Sunday, said the ministers of the two churches.

Rev. Thomas Arth and Rev. Robert Hurkmans saw new faces at their respective Port Colborne churches, after spending the Friday before handing out Back to Church Sunday invitation cards at the Farmer's Market.

Back to Church Sunday is an initiative that started in England in 2004 and has since spread to countries around the world, including Canada. The Anglican Church of Canada has been involved since 2009. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada has been involved since 2011.

"It was nice to see some people back in church that I hadn't seen there in a while. It was also nice to see some new faces, people who have never been to our church, at least not that I can remember during the 10 years I've been here," said Arth, of First Lutheran.

Hurkmans, of St. James and St. Brendan, said there were new people in his church as well, but he's not sure how many came because of his efforts at the market.

"My guess is most new people came because our parishioners made personal invitations," he said.

Parishioners at both churches were encouraged to invite others to church last weekend. Asked if the numbers of churchgoers would stay up weekend, the two weren't sure.

"It would be nice if our numbers stayed up where they were, but realistically, our numbers fluctuate up and down on a

weekly basis. But I hope that the people who came may have been touched by the message, by the presence of Jesus Christ in our midst, by the love of God in the fellowship of other Christians, or by some other way that the Holy Spirit would reach them," said Arth.

Hurkmans actually expected to see more people come to church for a couple of reasons, one being was because of Thanksgiving weekend.

He felt some people may have stayed away from last weekend's service because of the invitation. The Back to Church Sunday service, he said, wasn't necessarily what he does every Sunday and maybe a bit more of a "show" for those new to church.

"My goal as a minister every Sunday is to give a service that a parishioner would feel confident bringing a friend to, not something totally different," Hurkmans said.

After last Sunday's service, he said he had a cold call from a woman who said she would be coming this weekend. One new person coming to the church, he added, is a success.

And even if no one new came out last weekend, or this weekend, Hurkmans believed Back to Church Sunday was still a success.

"If it made a parishioner feel more comfortable to make an invitation to someone, to share their church and faith, that is a success."

Arth said statistics show that of the new people who came or the people who came back on a Back to Church Sunday, about 10% of them will come again or become actively involved in the church.

"Our job isn't over because we made one invitation. We have to invite them to come again. We have to continue to reach out with the love that we've received from God."



DAVE JOHNSON Staff Photo
Rev. Robert Hurkmans, left, of St. James and St. Brendan Anglican Church, and Rev. Thomas Arth, right, of First Evangelical Lutheran Church, shown here at Port Colborne's Farmer's Market two weeks ago said they saw a few new faces in the pews as a result of inviting people Back to Church Sunday.

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Importance of the seaway

Last week, Algoma Central Corp. renamed one of the ships in its fleet alongside the Welland Canal in Port Colborne. It marks the second time the company named a ship in the city. Last year it christened the Algoma Mariner, in almost the exact same location, in Port Colborne and made the city the port of registry for the vessel.

While both ceremonies may not seem like much, the fact that Algoma chose the city is important.

We believe it shows the company, which has the largest fleet on the Great Lakes, recognizes the importance of the Welland Canal and shipping industry to the city.

As the Welland Canal grew over the years, so too did Port Colborne. The city would likely exist if there was no canal, but it would not be the same.

Places like the former Robin Hood Multifoods, and ADM Milling may have never located here if there hadn't been a canal.

The city has companies like Badawey's, which supplies vessels, and places like Fraser's, which is actually owned by Algoma, Allied Marine and others that work on the vessels.

These places employ local residents, which helps the economy in a region hit hard by job loss.

In fact, the shipping industry is going through somewhat of a shortage of sailors.

Residents in Port Colborne work for companies like Algoma and CSL, and with the shortage, young, or anyone, in the city could find employment in the marine industry.

We're glad Algoma held its ceremonies in Port Colborne and hope to see more in the future. We hope the shipping continues to grow and be strong in Niagara.

HISTORY LESSON

Students from Stacey Street School learned a little local history recently when they traveled to Queenston Heights and Brock's Monument.

The Grade 7 and 8 students are currently studying the War of 1812 and hooked up with Youth University, run out of Brock University, for the trip.

They learned about Sir Isaac Brock, Laura Secord and Tecumseh, all important figures in the war.

While the War of 1812 was very important to Niagara and Canada, it wasn't the only thing the students learned about.

They were given a history of the Welland Canal and learned about historical figures in U.S. Cultures cemetery.

Local and regional history is something all students in Niagara, and students across the province, should learn.

We think there needs to be more focus on Canadian history in our schools. Provincial and local history is very important and shouldn't be forgotten.

COLUMN

I've been thinking about being offensive

REV. THOMAS P. ARTH
First Evangelical Lutheran Church

I recently read something about being offensive. Now, I try not to offend anyone. I want to be nice and, to be honest, I want to be liked. So I go out of my way to do things and to say things that won't offend anyone. Why create conflict when it's not necessary?

But should we perhaps be offensive sometimes? Are there times and situations that might require or actually call for us to be offensive? When someone starts a sentence with "No offense but..." usually it's going to be offensive and most of the time they could just as well have kept their comment to themselves.

Lately the news has been filled with reports about demonstrations, protests and even violence due to offence. Across the world Muslims have taken offence at an American made film clip containing anti-Islamic content. The violence has even led to deaths in some places. Has this been an overreaction? I believe the people who took offence at the film have every right to demonstrate. But when it leads to violence it goes too far.

In Canada and the U.S. we enjoy certain

rights and freedoms. One of those rights is the freedom of expression. There are certain infringements on that freedom, for example against hate speech and some forms of obscenity, but I treasure this fundamental freedom as well as freedom of religion because without them the Christian message that I proclaim could conceivably be curtailed.

We also enjoy the freedom of assembly which includes the right to protest. Muslims who find an anti-Islamic film offensive have every right to protest and to express their objections. I support their right to do so and if it was happening locally I might even join their protest. But we all have to understand that because we enjoy the freedom of expression sometimes we have to put up with certain kinds of trash like this film that has caused such an uproar, whose sole purpose seems to be simply to offend.

What about Christians? Should we offend? An example from scripture where Jesus causes offence is when he attends worship one Sabbath and is confronted by the choice about whether he should heal a man. The religious leaders believe, according to their understanding of the law, that healing should not be done on the Sabbath. Jesus poses a question: "Is

it lawful to do good on the Sabbath?"

(Matthew 12:12) Then he healed the man and offended the religious leaders.

So, what does that say about whether we should offend? Well, for one thing Jesus was a Jew who offended Jews. I don't think we Christians are called to offend Muslims or Jews or Buddhists or Hindus or members of any other religious tradition. I've even heard it said, and I agree, that we Lutherans should refrain from offending Roman Catholics or Anglicans or Baptists or Pentecostals or Presbyterians or... you can add to the list.

But, if my proclamation of the gospel, if my "doing good" on the Sabbath or any other day, if my pointing out sinfulness in our world to show our need for forgiveness, if that offends people in my church, well then so be it. Then they have a right to protest, a right to confront me in the love of Jesus, and we can work together to discern what God's will really is.

Should we offend? In general I think we should offend. If we love the Lord and sharing that love with a hurting world then we'll avoid causing offence. While our freedom of expression is protected I don't believe we should use it to threaten to hurt or offend others. We're also free to love, free to do good.

COLUMN

'Welcome to Wainfleet. Please report all illegal activity.'

News flash from Wainfleet — "The Bog Fire Is Out"

The ground fire that burned a big hole in the Wainfleet Bog has been extinguished, at least for now.

Since it's also that time of year when the Mounties and local police forces invade Wainfleet to burn the illegal marijuana grower's drivers along Hwy. 3, choking on smoke keep asking the question: "Is the bog or the Wainfleet bog that's burning?"

When you Google "Wainfleet Ontario Wikipedia," you pops a very sparse page of information.

According to this free encyclopedia we have finally put our water and septic issues behind us.

I dare say we're the only community in the world where the topics of "solids" and "grey water" keep popping up at the dinner table.

Now we've been embroiled in the windmill controversy.

We don't tackle huge issues here in "Fleeterlike a big war and global warming we just make a big deal out of little ones."

Although our 6,356 population is shrinking, our rural brand of tourism is on the rise. Apparently as more of us die or



William J. Thomas
MAYOR

move away, outsiders are more attracted to this place.

Our motto is, "Wainfleet — find your country side." I like it.

Plus it's a sight better than our previous motto: "Welcome to Wainfleet. Please report all illegal activity."

The Wikipedia statistic that caught my eye was "the 2,337 private dwellings occupied by usual residents." "Usual residents" Out here?

When your population comes from a mix of farmers and ice fishermen, beach bums and bog bugs, truckers and grow operators, religious types and recent retirees, AT/VERS and NPDers, cannies, tanners and taxidennies — sorry but "usual" is not a word I would use to describe a "Fleeter."

Stranger than a chatty mime, maybe. But "usual"?

Hardly.

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■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you've ever applauded your minister's sermon by shouting and chanting: "Damn straight!"

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■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you own a ball and its name is Counter Sue.

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■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you believe drowning down on Beuno has enhanced your short-term memory.

■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you volunteered to help clean up after the students' Beach Day after you heard about all those water bottles filled with vodka that they tried to smuggle in.

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■ WILLIAM J. THOMAS

You know you're from Wainfleet...

FROM PAGE 4

■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you're desperately trying to find an American college for your son that offers a paintball scholarship.

■ You know you're from Wainfleet if both your car and your gun have their registration numbers filed off.

■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you've ever sold a working farm implement in order to buy fireworks.

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■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you joined Wellandport's bird watching club in order to find out where the pheasants nest.

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you believed you got around the new fire

alarm by naming your dog 'Smoke

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■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you honk the horn and put your flashing emergency lights on, every time you come up behind a car marked 'Student Driver'.

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■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you enjoy hearing former mayor Stan Pettit's first-hand account of witnessing the reactor strike that wiped out the dinosaurs.

■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you're miffed that the giant catfish statue in Dunnville has more Facebook friends than you do.

■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you think Don Perignon was Marlon Brando's finest role.

■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you believe the guy who operates the Funky Fresh Cut Fries chip wagon looks an awful lot like Elvis Presley would look today.

■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you see the irony of realtor Al Robins driving a Smart Car. (Sorry Al, I couldn't resist.)

■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you've applied for a building permit to construct your dream home at Long Beach overlooking the 18th hole of Al's Mini Putt.

■ You know you're from Wainfleet if you will not rest until your Christmas lights can be seen from the International Space Station.

And finally, I've said it before, you know you're from Wainfleet if instead of screaming, "Yes! Yes!" at that critical moment of intimacy, you yell out, "Okay Dokey!"

William Thomas is an author and columnist living in Wainfleet, a place he really does love. Contact him at williamthomas.ca.

■ HIGHWAY CRASH



DAVE JOHNSON Staff Photo

A small truck was flipped on its side after colliding with another car on Hwy. 58 at Ormer Ave. on Thursday, Oct. 4 in Port Colborne. Neither driver was taken to hospital and Niagara OPP are investigating the crash which happened near the highway crosswalk for nearby Oakwood School.

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■ **HEALTH:** Len Dykstra new social worker at Bridges

Integrated care centre lures Brock councillor

DAVE JOHNSON
InPort News Staff

PORT COLBORNE — The variety and diversity at Bridges Community Health Centre is what lured Len Dykstra away from his job as a councillor at Brock University.

Dykstra is Bridges' newest social worker, on the job since July in Port Colborne and working in the field for the past 30 years.

"It's a multidisciplinary team here ... I work closely with doctors, nurses, social practitioners and dietitians. There's a great deal of care and support," says Dykstra.

Unlike going to a doctor's office and being sent to various specialists or other services, clients at Bridges can

THE FACTS

- Bridges Community Health Centre is at 177 King St. in Port Colborne
- It is not a walk-in clinic
- Programs are open to all residents of Wainfleet and Port Colborne
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see a number of people in one location.

"There are no silos here, it's the exact opposite ... it's very integrated here. We can work with a person on so many different levels."

With social work, says Dykstra, many of the prob-

lems people have are already there when they come for help. But Bridges, he adds, looks at the whole person and tries, through education and prevention, to keep people from getting to that point.

That appealed to him, especially since health prevention been his personal and professional focus for the past 10 to 15 years.

As he settles in and starts working with clients, Dykstra will be running various workshops over the next few months that are open to residents in the community. The first workshop starts this month and is about demystifying depression and it's an information session, not group therapy.

"People view depression as the big bogeyman. Sometimes it's normal to be depressed after a hurtful situation. It's when it grows and continues ... that becomes a problem."

In November, a workshop on seasonal affective disorder will be held. Research shows seasonal affective disorder affects 90% of Ontario's population, says Dykstra.

"About the third week of September, when the season starts to change, it's cooler and darker in the morning and afternoon, people's moods drop."

Lack of bright sunlight is the problem, especially here in Niagara where it's "five months of grey."

"We have a lot of cloud cover in the winter with very little light. Even in the summer we'll see summer seasonal affective disorder in July and August with the haze and humidity. We really felt it this year."

Dykstra says there will be a loneliness and grief workshop in December and he plans to do more next year.

He'll look at sleep, which is very important in terms of peoples mood and energy levels. Lack of sleep, he adds, has a direct affect on obesity levels.

"When we have a good sleep, hormones kick in that take away hunger."

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Len Dykstra is the newest social worker at Bridges Community Health Centre.



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In memory of Brian Kidd

VICTORIA GRAY
InPort News Staff

WELLAND — For a man who went missing and met with a tragic fate, there are now permanent reminders.

Family and friends of Brian Kidd donated two memorial benches to Community Living Welland-Pelham and one to Community Living Port Colborne-Wainfleet at a short ceremony held in the courtyard of the Welland office on Sutherland Ave. last week.

Kidd disappeared on Jan. 2 during his nightly walk to Tim Hortons on Thorold Rd.

The 41-year-old Welland man was found dead March 10 in a farmer's field off Merrittville Hwy. in Thorold.

"I know it's been quite a while since Brian went missing, but I also know some of us are still taking time to ourselves to grieve," Linda Sonnenberg said.

Kidd's Special Olympics coach and

friend, Sonnenberg read three inspirational poems to about 30 members of his bowling team, family and representatives from People First Welland, an organization Kidd joined shortly before he disappeared.

"We thought (dedicating these benches) might be important," she said. "When he was found it was so sad and so hard to fathom what he might have gone through. We wanted to give people a place to remember him."

Kidd's mother Vada Kidd and brother Jeff Kidd attended the dedication. Both said it was a very kind gesture that made them happy.

"It makes me feel good to know people have a place to come and remember him," his mother said.



Kidd



VICTORIA GRAY Staff Photo

Two benches were donated to Community Living Welland-Pelham and one to Community Living Port Colborne-Wainfleet in memory of Brian Kidd, who went missing in January and was found dead in March. Pictured in front are Kidd's mother Vada and brother Jeff Kidd. In the back are family friends Margaret Caron, Diane Crabb and Jan Ulch.

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HEALTH

Better access to mental health services needed: Study

ALLAN BENNER
InPort News Staff

WELLAND — South Niagara residents who need mental health services the most have the trouble accessing those services.

That was one of the findings by researchers from the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, who provided a preliminary look at some of the data they collected last year while visiting Port Colborne and Welland.

The researchers spent about three months in Port Colborne during the summer of 2011, followed by a few months in Welland that fall as part of the Researching Health in Ontario Communities mobile project — the first project of its kind in Canada.

They returned to south Niagara Wednesday to discuss their findings during a community forum held at Best Western Rose City Suites.

"We found that a lot of people who participated in our study suffered from severe problems and co-occurring problems, and it was those people with all that who had the most challenges finding help," said project co-ordinator Andrea Flynn.

"And at the same time, those are the people who need the help the most."

Several individual studies were conducted as part of the project, including improving mental health and addiction treatments, a study of young adults in troubled relationships, and "the consumer journey study" which looked into accessing mental health services in Niagara.

Senior scientist Kathryn Graham said she found some unexpected results while interviewing 19- to

29-year-olds in relationships, such as people who are continually fighting with their partner.

"It's not just ordinary people having

fights every once in awhile," she said. "This is happening all the time."

Often, Graham said, factors like economic stress or underlying mental

health issues contribute to those troubled relationships.

Flynn called the time spent speaking to people from Port Colborne and

Welland "an excellent experience," although the researchers faced some challenges during their time here.

"It took a lot of planning and there were a lot of bugs to work out in terms of the lab and figuring things out, and things you don't think of beforehand," she said.

Even finding a spot to park a 10-metre-long mobile research lab was a challenge, she added. The trailer was parked beside Food Basics on Charlotte St. in Port Colborne, and during its time in Welland it was parked at Seaway Mall near Niagara St. Flynn said 205 people from Port Colborne and 130 from Welland participated in the pilot study — not enough to provide researchers with definitive data.

She said the final report will likely be ready in about a month, and will be available on the organization's website.

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ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT

Study participants suggested several improvements to local services, including:

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■ WAR OF 1812 BICENTENARY



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With Marcus Tuttle listening at left, Anna MacAlpine talks about the War of 1812 with Steele Street School students at Queenston Heights on Wednesday. The Grade 7 and 8 students were learning about the War of 1812.

New program makes history 'cool'

DAVE JOHNSON
InPort News Staff

NIAGARA ON-THE-LAKE — Sir Isaac Brock was buried four different times after the War of 1812 and now rests under a monument bearing his name at Queenston Heights.

And like his burial place, the monument bearing his name isn't an original either.

The first memorial was blown up in 1840 by Benjamin Lett. A new one was started in 1853.

Those were just two facts Grade 7 and 8 students from Port Colborne's

Steele Street School learned while at Queenston Heights on Wednesday.

They learned many more historical facts as they toured north Niagara with their teachers and Youth University staff, two of whom were dressed in period costume.

"Youth University is an education

program for youth in Niagara and students across the province," said day programs manager Greg Zwipew. "We provide fun, cool activities that have an educational backing behind them."

Youth University, in Niagara, is run by Brock University.

Zwipew said Youth University wanted to be involved in the War of 1812 bicentenary, so it launched a day program through which students would learn the history of the area.

Steele Street was the first school run through the program. Wednesday visits also included to the Salem Chapel in St. Catharines and Lock 3 of the Welland Canal.

"We drove past Victoria Lawn Cemetery and talked about some of the historical figures there," said Zwipew, adding activities were planned for the students at Queenston Heights after the tour of the area.

Steele Street teacher Ann Heinmiller said her students are studying the War of 1812 this year.

"I wanted to bring the students to someplace where the events happened and bring history to life."

She said bringing the students to a place such as Queenston gives them an idea of where battles were fought and how close Canada and the United States are.

"This brings history to life and makes it exciting for students."

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A Newsletter written by Staff for the Residents of Port Colborne

OCTOBER 11, 2012

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Council moves forward with Action Plan for Port Theatre and the Roselawn Centre for the Arts

At its regular meeting of Council on Monday evening, City Council expressed their sadness that Showboat Theatre announced its final season. Mayor Vance Badawey and City Councillors conveyed their appreciation to the many volunteers and the organization at large for their contribution to the City of Port Colborne, noting the pleasure of witnessing "Theatre in the Round" and the positive economic impact Showboat extended to the community.

"The Board of Directors of Showboat Festival Theatre of Port Colborne Inc. have made the decision to cease operations," stated a media release issued late last week.

"Showboat has been the primary tenant at the historic Roselawn Centre for the Arts for 26 years, stated Mayor Vance Badawey. City Council now needs to focus on finding another tenant. We are prepared to explore all opportunities to fill this void; both physical space and the cultural component of quality of life enjoyed by so many for so many years."

The mayor added that "City Council therefore directed city staff on Monday evening to move forward with the preparation of a Request for Proposals (RFP) process to find new tenants and to explore all opportunities at the Roselawn Centre including discussions with interested Theatre operators, Hall and President's Room rental opportunities, and full kitchen/restaurant and dining facilities.

Interested persons, groups or companies will have an opportunity to present proposals through a Request for Proposal or through Expressions of Interest call.

City Council wants no stone unturned in our community's effort to fully utilize Roselawn's potential, concluded the Mayor."

Upcoming Events at Roselawn

Patsy Cline the Legend show on Saturday, November 10, 7:30 p.m.
Tickets are \$25.00

A Swingin' Christmas with the Toronto All Star Big Band on Sunday, November 25, 2 p.m.
Tickets are \$25.00

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PORT COLBORNE
Sale of Lands for Tax Arrars
by Public Tender

Municipal Act, 2001

SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PORT COLBORNE

TAKE NOTICE that tenders are invited for the purchase of land(s) described below and will be accepted if sealed in an envelope and clearly marked with the address, PIN (Property Identification Number) and the Roll Number of the property for which the tender is submitted. A separate tender must be submitted for each property.

Tenders will be received ONLY at the City of Port Colborne Municipal Office, City Clerk's Office, 1st Floor, 66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne, Ontario, L3K 3C8, until 3:00 p.m. local time on Thursday November 1, 2012.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day at 3:15 p.m. at the City of Port Colborne Municipal Office, Committee Room, 3rd Floor, 66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne, Ontario, L3K 3C8.

Description of Land:

PT LOT 8 S/S Durham St PL 849 Port Colborne AS IN B878524 Port Colborne, Regional Municipality of Niagara.
PIN: 64164-0160(I)

Municipal Address: 133 Durham Street

Commercial Occupied Property

Roll No.: 2711-020-009-16800-0000

2012 Assessed Value: \$82,000 Commercial Occupied

2012 Annual Property Taxes: \$3,074.40

Site Area: 40 X 100 feet more or less

Minimum Tender Amount: \$47,407.49

Description of Land:

PT LOT 10 N/S Fraser St. PL 843 Port Colborne, PT LT11 N/S Fraser St. PL 843 Port Colborne AS IN R0731681 Port Colborne, Regional Municipality of Niagara.

PIN: 64155-0089(I)

Municipal Address: 90 Fraser Street

Commercial Occupied Property

Roll No.: 2711-020-009-01100-0000

2012 Assessed Value: \$49,000 Commercial Occupied

2012 Annual Property Taxes: \$1,837.14

Site Area: 72 X 132 feet more or less

Minimum Tender Amount: \$23,677.44

The sale of these properties is subject to cancellation up to the time that a deed is registered, without any further notice.

The Minimum Tender amount represents the cancellation price as of the first day of advertising.

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the City of Port Colborne and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.

The municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the land(s) to be sold, including but not limited to the potential existence of environmental contamination, estates and interests of the federal or provincial governments or their agencies, easements and restrictive covenants, and interests acquired by adverse possession. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers.

The properties are to be sold as is. The lands and/or premises may contain contaminants. The vendor will not provide any warranties or assurances concerning the environmental quality of the lands and/or premises being sold.

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under the Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes, penalties and interest, HST if applicable, and the relevant land transfer tax. The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender visit www.OntarioTaxSales.ca or if no internet available contact:

Peter M. Senese, Treasurer

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PORT COLBORNE

NOTICE TO CITIZENS APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

The City of Port Colborne is accepting applications from citizens for positions on boards and committees. The vacancies are due to the expiry of current appointments, resignations or insufficient applications in response to prior recruitments. Positions are available on the following boards and committees:

- Port Colborne Seniors Advisory Council, and
- Environmental Advisory Committee.

On November 10, 2008, Council adopted a policy respecting appointments to boards and committees. This policy establishes the process relating to the recruitment, selection and appointment of members of the public to boards and committees and the City's expectations of such appointments. The policy requires that the successful applicants consent to the release by the City of their name and personal information relating to their education, qualifications and experience which is pertinent to the appointment. Council will release the name of an unsuccessful applicant only with the written consent of the applicant. Please visit the City's website www.portcolborne.ca to access the full text of the policy and a brief description of the mandate of the above board/committees, etc.

Unless the terms of reference of the board/committee provide otherwise, applicants must:

- be eighteen years of age or older
- a qualified municipal elector in the City of Port Colborne
- not be disqualified by the Municipal Act, 2001, Municipal Election Act, 1996 or the Planning Act
- not be an employee of the City of Port Colborne or the board.

Applicants must provide sufficient information regarding their qualifications and related experience for Council to make an informed decision. The standard form of application is available on the City's website and/or from the City Clerk's Office.

Applications in person, by e-mail or regular mail will be received by the undersigned until 4:30 p.m. Friday, October 26, 2012.

Ashley Grigg, City Clerk
City Hall, 66 Charlotte Street
Port Colborne, Ontario L3K 3C8
ashleygrigg@portcolborne.ca
905-835-2900 Ext. 106

Personal information is collected under authority of the Municipal Act, 2001 and pursuant to the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used only to evaluate the suitability of applicants. Questions respecting the collection of information should be directed to the City Clerk of the City of Port Colborne.

Parking Meters in Port Colborne

On September 24, 2012, City Council approved the removal of parking control devices (pay and display machines and parking meters) in the Downtown Business Improvement Area to be replaced with 2 hour free parking for a 1 year trial period.

The City will be removing the parking control devices and will be erecting the required signage in the very near future. Once in place, parking enforcement will be on a complaint basis should a vehicle be parked for longer than 2 hours. Should you wish to register a complaint, please contact Parking Enforcement at 905-835-2901 ext. 208 or the Building/By-law Clerk at ext. 229.

Summer Photo Contest Winner



"Canopy Ride Above Port Colborne" and was shot by Richard O'Neill

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A call to children for "Christmas in Port Colborne"**HELP DESIGN OUR COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CARD**

Attention all parents and teachers: It's only autumn, with Halloween just around the corner, but planning for Christmas is underway.

On behalf of the City of Port Colborne, Mayor Vance Sadawey invites the children of our community to help design the city's 2012 Christmas card.

The theme is "Christmas in Port Colborne."

The Mayor seeks an image that conveys the Christmas spirit with special focus on a Port Colborne person, place or thing.

Submissions may be painted with fingers or brushes, or drawn with pencils, crayons, pastels, or markers on a standard sheet of paper, 8 1/2" X 11" in vertical or horizontal format.

The contest is open to all children who live or go to school in Port Colborne; up to and including those in Grade 8.

Time is of the essence: to be chosen and reproduced for printing in time for the holiday season, all submissions must be received at the Mayor's Office in City Hall, 66 Charlotte St., Port Colborne ON L3K 3G8 by **Friday, October 26, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.**

Please include the child's name, address and telephone number on the back of the artwork.

For further information, please contact Nancy Giles at 905-835-2901, Ext. 301, nancygiles@portcolborne.ca

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Any seasonal boater wanting to keep the same dock for the 2013 season, we are now taking deposits. A \$200.00 deposit is required to hold your slip for the following season.

After October 15 Marina Office Hours will be:

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For winter storage in the harbour, please contact Port Colborne Yacht Harbour at 905-834-7921

Sugarloaf Marina would also like to thank Boarder Pass Niagara for a great first season here in the harbour. If you did not get a chance to try the Cable Wakeboard Park this year, we highly recommend you add it to your list of things to do for 2013. Great job Chris and Amanda.

PORT COLBORNE HISTORICAL & MARINE MUSEUM**WINNERS**

The Board of Management of the Port Colborne Historical & Marine Museum would like to thank Lower Lakes Towing Ltd. for donating a week for two on the Saginaw as a museum fundraiser. Great Lakes ships are not certified to carry passengers for hire, so it is impossible to buy a ticket. The only chance for the general public to enjoy a once-in-a-lifetime cruise is through non-profit raffles or auctions donated by the shipping companies! The highest bidders for the Canals Days 2012 online auction were Mr. & Mrs. Wachholz from Wisconsin at \$5,100!

TRAVELLING EXHIBIT COMING SOON

Niagara Artists' Centre's Art-of-Fact brings the hidden histories of the War of 1812 to the Port Colborne Historical & Marine Museum from October 26 to December 14. The famous stories of the War are well known, but for every Second cover there are dozens of untold tales. Art-of-Fact brings to life previously unexplored elements of War of 1812, with works by Shelly Niro, José Medina, Ernest Harris Jr, Karine Giboulo, and Caitlin Cass.

Art-of-Fact examines the War of 1812 through contemporary visual art installations. The project intervenes in the museum space as artists create fictional historic objects, accounts, and/or retellings of the War. Art-of-Fact explores the connections between history, storytelling, and artistic creation. The artists play with the usual expectations of a museum environment – educational, historical, factual – by offering non-traditional, non-linear or non-factual interpretations of the events of the War of 1812 in the guise of museum displays.

ABOUT THE ARTISTS

Caitlin Cass is part of the Great Moments in Western Civilization Cooperative. The cooperative makes comics, drawings, performances and materials that folklorize the Western Canon. She is based in Buffalo, NY.

Karine Giboulo creates colourful miniature worlds in which

depictions of reality and flights of fantasy mingle. Her intricate sculpted scenes use paths and humour to comment on the human condition and issues such as globalization, consumerism and the environment. She is based in Montreal.

Ernest Harris Jr. was born in Grenada in 1971 and raised in Canada. Harris' work harnesses pop culture imagery to reveal paradoxes, dissonances, and resonances embedded in social constructs and cultural assumptions. He lives and works in St. Catharines, ON.

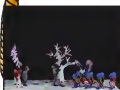
José Medina was born in Santiago de Cuba in 1977. At present, he is a member and practicing visual artist of CRAM Gallery and Collective in St. Catharines, Ontario. In 2009 he became the Print Master and Coordinator of CRAMPress, the CRAM International Print Studio.

Shelly Niro is a multi-disciplinary artist and a member of the Six Nations Reserve, Turtle Clan, Bay of Quinte Mohawk. She has worked in a variety of media, including beadwork, painting, photography, and film. She currently lives and works in Brantford, Ontario.

First Ever Tactile Tour At Port Museum

Diane Gallinger will be conducting a free tactile tour for people with blindness and low vision at the Port Colborne Historical and Marine Museum. Diane will be using description and tactile objects as part of the interpretive technique. The touch tour will focus on "Dressed to Impress- A Century of Fashion" exhibit and will take approximately two hours.

Diane Gallinger, of Jordan Heritage Resources, has been collecting original women's costume for over twenty years. Her collection includes three hundred gowns and accessories dating from c.1775 to c.1914. Diane's collection is used frequently for training workshops, public lectures and travelling museum exhibits. The tour will be presented on Sunday, October 21 at 1:30 p.m. Space is limited; please call for registration at 905-834-7604.



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WONDERWALL RECOGNITION

General Donation to the Vale Health & Wellness Centre can be made at City Hall. Your name/organization will be placed on a donor Wall inside the lobby.

For more information, please visit www.portcolborne.ca or contact Community Services at 905-834-1668



Vale Health and Wellness Centre Fact Sheet September 2012

- The Vale Health & Wellness Centre has been under construction now for sixteen (16) months. Revisions to accommodate YMCA and Subway Restaurants are being incorporated into the design. Revisions to accommodate the Junior 8 and Bocce user groups have also been included.
- Over the past three (3) months, construction activities included building cladding enclosure of glazing and kiosk; equipment installation; lighting installation; pouring the remainder of concrete topping throughout the facility; stair construction; interior masonry and steel stud wall construction and drywall; rink floor construction of arena 1 and exterior site grading and concrete sidewalks. Interior finishing such as painting is ongoing along with tile work in the changerooms, washrooms and pool.
- To maintain safety on the site it is imperative that the public stay away from the construction areas which are signed and fenced off. This work is scheduled to continue throughout 2012.
- Selected pedestrian pathways remain accessible during construction.
- The bullets listed below outline the scope of work that is expected to be carried out during the next four (4) months.
 - Asphalt paving – September 2012
 - Pool and washroom tile work – September 2012
 - Aluminum windows and curtain wall – September 2012
 - Site grading – September 2012
 - Rink board construction – September 2012
 - Painting – July to October 2012
 - Millwork – November 2012
 - Landscaping – September 2012
 - Athletic equipment/Gym dividers – October 2012
 - Washroom fixtures/accessories – October 2012
 - Skate /track flooring – September to November 2012
 - Acoustic ceilings – November 2012
 - Audio Visual installations – November 2012
 - Signage installation – November 2012
- Visit the City of Port Colborne website at www.portcolborne.ca/page/Health_and_Wellness_Centre for information on the project as it progresses. If you have any questions, call City Hall at 905-835-2901 ext. 219.



Building main entrance



Gymnasium



Arena 2 – interior finishes are ongoing.



Arena 1 – interior finishes are ongoing.



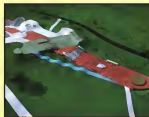
Lap pool tiling is nearing completion. Glazing installation is underway.



Finish work is underway in the fitness area.

Port Colborne Skate & BMX Park Located at Lock 8 Park

Tenders for the construction of the new Skate & BMX Park located in Lock 8 Park were advertised in April of 2012 and the successful contractor, Patterned Concrete of Toronto, was selected at the May 28, 2012 Council Meeting. Construction began late in June and is currently ongoing. The park is starting to take shape with construction scheduled to be completed in October 2012. The complexity of the design and the site constraints have made construction crews come up with unique techniques to prepare the forming and pouring of concrete. The design of the park depicts the shape of a Laker passing under a lift bridge. Algoma Central Corporation has been awarded the naming rights of the Skate & BMX Park and the infamous name ALGOPORT will be placed on the bow and stern of the Skate & BMX Park. The Laker will be coloured in Algoma's standard Algoma Blue with the deck being Algoma Red. Several other sponsors have come aboard such as Westpier Marine, Bell Marine, George Badaway Marine Supplies and International Marine Salvage. Other Sponsorship opportunities are available. If you or your company is interested in sponsoring the Port Colborne Skate & BMX Park, please contact Mr. Robert Heil at 905-835-2900 ext. 306.



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Port Colborne Transit Bus Link to Welland Monday to Saturday*

Fare: Inter City trips - \$3.50 cash, UPASS, monthly passes accepted
Regional transfer trips - \$3.50 to Welland \$6.00 to Welland
with a transfer to Inter-Municipal Bus

PC City Hall (depart)	Ontario & Canal Bank	Niagara College	Seaway Mall	Downtown Terminal	Ontario & Kling St.	PC City Hall (arrive)
7:25 am	7:41 am	7:50 am	7:57 am	8:04 am	8:10 am	8:30 am
8:35 am	8:51 am	9:00 am	9:07 am	9:14 am	9:20 am	9:40 am
12:10 pm	12:26 pm	12:35 pm	12:42 pm	12:49 pm	12:55 pm	1:15 pm
1:20 pm	1:36 pm	1:45 pm	1:52 pm	1:59 pm	2:05 pm	2:25 pm
4:45 pm	5:01 pm	5:10 pm	5:17 pm	5:24 pm	5:30 pm	5:50 pm
5:55 pm	6:11 pm	6:20 pm	6:27 pm	6:34 pm	6:40 pm	7:00 pm

For more information on Inter-Municipal Transit visit
www.niagararegion.ca/transit

Buses are fully accessible for mobility devices and seniors

* Saturday trips funded by Region. Please note that while the bus runs out-of-City (LINK) on Saturdays, it does not run within the City (community bus). Riders are responsible for their own transportation to the LINK point at City Hall.

Green font times are trips funded by the Region,

Red font times are existing City trips, funded by the City

Port Colborne Link



Cash Fare
Link Service* \$3.50
Link Service Plus* (90 mins) \$6.75

PORT COLBORNE LINK

Time of Day	Port Colborne (depart)	Port Colborne (arrive)	Seaway Mall	Downtown Terminal	Ontario & Kling St.	Port Colborne (arrive)
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MONDAY - FRIDAY

4:45	7:25	7:41	7:50	7:57	8:04	8:10	8:30
8:35	12:10	12:26	12:35	12:42	12:49	12:55	1:15
1:20	4:45	5:01	5:10	5:17	5:24	5:30	5:50

For Regional trips including Saturdays:
visit to www.niagararegion.ca

Port Colborne Community Bus



Cash Fare
Community Service \$2.50
Transfer to P.C. Link \$1.00

1 PORT COLBORNE EAST

Time of Day	Port Colborne (depart)	Port Colborne (arrive)	Seaway Mall	Downtown Terminal	Ontario & Kling St.	Port Colborne (arrive)
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MONDAY - FRIDAY

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4:00	4:11	4:17	4:22	4:27		

2 PORT COLBORNE WEST

Time of Day	Port Colborne (depart)	Port Colborne (arrive)	Seaway Mall	Downtown Terminal	Ontario & Kling St.	Port Colborne (arrive)
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MONDAY - FRIDAY

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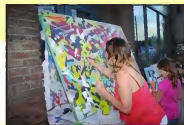
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Roselawn Centre for the Arts, 296 Fielden Avenue, Port Colborne, Saturday, October 20, 2012 from 12-8 p.m.
Call 905-321-2122 for more information





PORT COLBORNE CITY OF PORT COLBORNE HYDRANT FLUSHING Fall 2012

Residents are hereby notified that the Public Works Division personnel of the Operational Services Department will be flushing hydrants beginning Monday, October 1, 2012 to Friday, November 2, 2012.

This work will be carried out between the hours of 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. in an effort to minimize disruption of water service and inconvenience to our residents. Hydrant flushing is performed annually for the general improvement of the water system. During this period residents may notice a slight discoloration in the water. Residents may wish to run their tap until the water is clear. If there are any inquiries, please contact the Public Works Division at 905-835-5079.

The cooperation of all citizens will be greatly appreciated.

Don Hanson, C.E.T.
Director of Engineering & Operations

Port Colborne's Drinking Water Hydrant Flushing – why is the City “wasting” water??

Have you ever noticed a City worker standing by a fire hydrant with water gushing out of it? Have you ever wondered why they're “wasting” so much water? There are good reasons for the use of this water and one of the primary reasons is maintenance. The workers you see flushing fire hydrants work for the City's Water Department and are certified Water Operators. Operators are trained in sound and proven water system maintenance practices and flushing fire hydrants is one of the most important maintenance practices that can be performed on a water distribution system. The water expelled during flushing is carefully monitored, measured and controlled so that only the least amount of water is used.

When a worker fully opens a fire hydrant for maintenance flushing, the following may be checked and recorded:

- Hydrant operation
- Water pressure
- pH
- Free Chlorine
- Visible leaks
- Turbidity (the amount of particles in the water)
- Temperature
- Flow


Maintenance flushing is particularly important to remove corrosion and rust from cast iron or ductile iron watermain, approximately 45% of the City's watermain are cast or ductile iron. If ignored, corrosion and rust can cause problems such as: severe rust water; reduced water pressure or lower chlorine levels.

Routine hydrant flushing is a practice that is conducted more for water quality than for removal of corrosion or rust. When the City's water distribution system was constructed nearly 100 years ago, people were not concerned about conserving water therefore the system was designed and constructed to meet the demand for water at that time. Now that people are concerned about water conservation and are using less water, the water stays in the watermain longer and has a greater chance of becoming “stagnant” which can lead to bacteria growth and taste and odor problems. To ensure that the water in the mains is of the highest quality and meets the Province's Drinking Water Quality Standards, the City's Operators flush hydrants at strategic locations throughout the system primarily during the summer months when the water temperature is higher and the water quality can degrade more quickly. While flushing, Operators ensure that chlorine levels are at least 0.20 mg/l and turbidity is less than 1 NTU.

Fire flow testing is another important activity that the City is required to perform, and the City engages the services of an experienced consultant to perform this task. Hydrants are colour coded based upon the measured flow rate so that in an emergency Fire Department personnel will know immediately upon arrival how much flow rate can be provided by the hydrant.

The final flushing activity undertaken by the City is perhaps the most critical in protecting the drinking water from contamination. When a watermain break occurs, water is left running from a hydrant or hydrants in the immediate vicinity while City workers repair the break. This ensures that as the break is repaired any dirt that may enter the broken pipe (for example, during the excavation of the broken pipe) is flushed out as soon as possible and reduces the chance of the entire distribution system becoming contaminated. It also visually allows the Operator to confirm that the watermain is still under positive pressure while the repair is being made thus reducing the chance of contaminating the water in the system. Additionally, when a watermain break occurs, the break itself often disturbs any corrosion or rust that is present in the pipe. Flushing during the repair ensures any discoloured water is flushed from the system and minimizes the impact on customers in the area. Once a break is repaired, workers leave the hydrant(s) running to ensure any discoloured water has been completely flushed out and to ensure chlorine levels are high enough to disinfect the pipe.

The City may post notices in the local paper and on the City website regarding hydrant flushing activities in different areas throughout the City. However, for activities such as watermain breaks, we cannot always provide advance notification. It is important to note that although you may experience discoloured water during flushing activities, the water remains safe for consumption. If you experience discoloured water, run water from all the cold water taps in your home until the water becomes clear. If the discoloured water persists for more than 10 minutes or so and you are not aware of flushing activities near your home, please contact Public Works at 905-835-5079 to file a Water Quality Complaint. The next time you see a hydrant being flushed you can rest assured that the City isn't wasting water but that the City's certified Water Operators are working hard to protect the safety of the public, improve water quality and properly maintain the water distribution system.

CITY OF PORT COLBORNE NOTICE OVERHOLT CEMETERY

Effective August 1, 2012, the cemetery known as Overholt Cemetery in the Hamlet of Bethel on the Third Concession Road came under the jurisdiction of the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne pursuant to the provisions of the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002.

Council passed By-laws 5840/94/12, 5841/95/12 and amending By-law 5857/11/12 to govern and regulate all cemeteries under City jurisdiction (such as Overholt Cemetery). These by-laws are subject to the approval of the Registrar of Cemeteries, Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002, Cemeteries Regulation Unit (416) 326-8393, Ministry of Consumer Services.

Any interested persons may contact City Hall at telephone: 905-835-2900, for information, or email overholtcemetery@portcolborne.ca. By-laws or amendments may be reviewed or copied at City Hall, 66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne, Ontario L3K 3C8 or accessed on the City website at www.portcolborne.ca, search “cemetery”.

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Water Meter Obstructions

Four times a year, the City's Water Meter Technician visits every property serviced by the drinking water system to read the water meters to determine how much water is to be billed to each property. This task is performed by the Technician walking door to door with a handheld meter reading device. There are just over 6,000 water meters in the City and the majority of the properties have a remote reader (touchpad) located on an outside wall. The Technician must walk up to the property and press the meter reading device to the touchpad to obtain the reading.

It is important for property owners to ensure that access to these touchpads remains unobstructed – not only to ensure they receive an accurate water bill, but also to ensure the safety of the Technician. In fact, it is a requirement under section 4 (f) of the City's Water Bylaw 315/12/25, that “No person shall in any way interfere with, obstruct or conceal any meter or remote reader.”

Many property owners may not even realize the touchpad has been obstructed. Common obstructions include:

- Trees/bushes/plants – planted in front of the touchpad and have grown too large to allow for access (i.e. cedar bushes, rose bushes, ivy)
- Fence – construction of a new fence and or locking a gate cuts off access to the touchpad
- Dogs – leashed dogs near the touchpad
- Litter/Debris – storage of garbage recycling bins or other outdoor items in front of the touchpad
- Vehicle – parking vehicles close to the touchpad
- New construction – an addition (i.e. porch, deck, garage) covers the touchpad

When the Technician discovers an obstruction, a letter will be issued to the property owner asking them to contact the Public Works Department so the Technician can meet with them to point out the obstruction and discuss the options, which include:

- removing the obstruction (i.e. trim bushes, move dog to another location, move items blocking the touchpad)
- supplying the property owner with enough conductor covers wire so that they can move the touchpad to a more suitable location
- relocation of the reading device by the Technician, for a fee
- installation of an RF (radio frequency) by the Technician, for a fee

Failure to remove the obstruction and/or relocate the touchpad will result in a fine of \$100.00 under the Provincial Offences Act and the water account will immediately go to a flat rate billing of \$276.75 per quarter for sewer and \$276.75 per quarter for sewer. Flat rate billing remains in effect until the obstruction is removed and/or the reading device is relocated.

Take a look around the outside wall of your property and if you see a little black touchpad like the one pictured here please ensure that the touchpad is easily accessible by removing any obstructions from the area.



New Industrial Community Improvement Plan for Port Colborne

The City of Port Colborne recently adopted a new community improvement plan (CIP) to support industrial growth and business attraction. Targeted directly at industrial lands in Port Colborne, the CIP offers four programs that can be accessed by companies locating in Port Colborne or existing Port Colborne companies that are expanding their operations.

"This Industrial CIP puts Port Colborne at the leading edge of municipal economic development in Ontario," explained Vance Badawey, Mayor of Port Colborne. "There are currently only a handful of communities that offer programs similar to this in Ontario and Port Colborne is being noticed for this bold, new approach."

Programs offered through the Industrial CIP include the Business Development Grant Program, the Business Retention and Expansion Grant Program, the Development Charges Rebate Program and the Small Business Investment Grant Program. Each of these programs has been designed to offer financial incentives for investing in Port Colborne through providing a rebate on property taxes.

The Business Development Grant Program, the Business Retention and Expansion Grant Program and the Small Business Investment Program enable new businesses to receive a grant for a percentage of the tax increment generated from the investments made in the development or redevelopment of an industrial building or property. The Development Charges Rebate Program allows businesses to receive a grant for a percentage of the development charges owing from the development or redevelopment of an industrial building or property. Grants will be issued in the form of rebates on property taxes.

"These grants will be integral to future industrial growth for the Port Colborne," stated Stephen Thompson. "Existing businesses expanding in Port Colborne can also tap into these programs to assist with business growth. This gives the City another strategic tool to continue its aggressive approach to seeking new investments and growing businesses already established here."

This suite of programs leverages provisions in provincial legislation to allow municipalities to provide financial incentives for capital investment in the community. The Industrial CIP joins four other similar programs in Port Colborne, including the Main Street CIP, the Downtown Port Colborne CIP, the East Waterfront CIP and the Brownfield CIP. More information on the CIPs can be accessed at www.portcolborne.ca/page/Community-Improvement-Plans.

New Tourism Signs for Port Colborne

The City of Port Colborne recently completed a multi-year initiative to design and install a network of 4B new tourism directional signs in Port Colborne. Led by the Economic Development, Tourism & Marketing department, the updated sign network provides enhanced way-finding for motorists and cyclists in Port Colborne. Staff at the City of Port Colborne and the Regional Municipality of Niagara designed the signs to be effective roadside aides, guiding visitors to the community between major civic attractions.

The network, sign locations and sign messaging were carefully developed through input from community stakeholders, including the Port Colborne-Wainfleet Chamber of Commerce and Port Colborne's two Business Improvement Associations. The signage network contributes to the growing momentum in the community towards becoming a year-round tourism destination with activities for all age groups. It will assist current business operators through increasing visitation and will encourage more investment in tourism-related businesses, providing further employment opportunities in Port Colborne.

"The new tourism signs not only direct visitors to tourism amenities and attractions, but also build awareness of what we have to offer here in Port Colborne," stated Vance Badawey, Mayor of Port Colborne, at a recent media launch for the new signage network. "Most importantly, our overall economy will benefit from increased visitation and longer duration of stays in Port Colborne on the part of tourists as a result of ease of locating attractions, as well as the positive business atmosphere that is created by the Gnocchi network."

Critical to the success of this project was the participation of three key partners. The Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities funded a year-long project that enabled Port Colborne to hire an employee to coordinate the project. The Ontario Trillium Foundation provided a grant to its Small Capital project program, which provided funding for the purchase and installation of signs. The South Niagara Community Futures Development Corporation also made a financial contribution to the project through its Community Adjustment Fund program in association with Fed Dev Ontario.



Install Smoke Alarms

You may have just seconds to safely escape a fire in your home. That's why early detection of fire is absolutely vital. Only working smoke alarms provide those precious seconds you and your family need to safely escape. Change your clocks, change your smoke alarm batteries!!

If assistance is required to install your smoke alarm, please contact Port Colborne Fire and Emergency Services 905-834-6512 (Monday to Friday – 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.)



Annual Road, Sidewalk and Ditch Maintenance

The maintenance contracts for 2012 have been underway since May. Asphalt patch repairs will continue into the fall season with Circle P. Paving.

The hot mix asphalt program for 2012 is now complete. Sidewalk repairs and replacements will be ongoing through the fall season, along with a new sidewalk being finalized on Queen Street with C.T.C. Contracting. Roadside ditch cleaning will also continue into the fall season with Anthony's Excavating, along with maintenance works for the Marsh Drain in Ward 4 being completed before year end.

East Side Bulk Water Filling Station

A report went to Council on July 11, 2011 recommending two suitable sites. The site chosen by Council allows the Bulk Water Station to remain on Elizabeth Street about 600 metres south of the existing location. The new bulk water station was commissioned in August of 2012. The new station provides users with the options of bottom fill or top fill.

Steele Street and Elgin Street Safety Study

A presentation of the findings from this study was presented to Members of Council on September 24, 2012. The study determined that the existing intersection is operating within its safe capacity and that only minor improvements such as new signage and some trimming of the foliage is needed at the present time. In conjunction with the study, a peer review of the proposed Rosemount Estates Subdivision Traffic Impact Study was completed. The peer review determined that within the first five (5) years of development, the subdivision would generate enough traffic to warrant traffic signals to be installed at the Steele Street and Elgin Street intersection. These comments have been sent back to the developer.



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Small Business Week 2012

Port Colborne will be celebrating Small Business Week from October 15 to 19, 2012 to recognize the important role small business and entrepreneurship play in our local economy. The week coincides with BDC Small Business WeekTM 2012, a nation-wide celebration of Canadian entrepreneurship, now in its 33rd year. BDC Small Business Week will take place October 14-20, 2012.

Entrepreneurs and their innovative businesses are key to Canada's economic growth. By responding to the changing demands of the marketplace and creating jobs, entrepreneurs continue to be a primary force in driving the national economy.

The theme of BDC Small Business Week™ 2012 is Aim High! Invest in your future. Entrepreneurs across Canada are aiming high—investing to build better, more competitive businesses. To grow, they need the right people, technology and business skills to compete in a competitive market place. BDC Small Business Week 2012 is about sharing stories of success and helpful, practical advice on how to succeed with those who are ambitious for their companies.

Stephen Thompson, Director and General Manager of Economic Development, Tourism, & Marketing for the City of Port Colborne, notes the importance of small businesses in Port Colborne. "Port Colborne is fortunate to have a mix of small and large employers which helps diversify our economy. The entrepreneurial spirit of our small businesses and companies and their ability to compete on the national and international stages is one of the major selling points when businesses consider investing in Port Colborne." Thompson also notes that the City's Economic Development Office regularly assists small businesses in expansion and other opportunities.

In recognition of Small Business Week the Port Colborne-Wainfleet Chamber of Commerce, the City of Port Colborne, BDC, and the South Niagara Community Futures Development Corporation are hosting a reception on Wednesday, October 12. Business owners and prospective entrepreneurs are invited to attend an evening of networking and education, including presentations from leading small businesses in Port Colborne, including North America Traffic, Stolk Construction, Eatly Foods, and

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LIBRARY EVENTS

FOOD FOR FINES DAY
FRIDAY, OCT. 19.

In celebration of Ontario Public Library Week, the Port Colborne Public Library will hold a Food for Fines Day on Friday, Oct. 19. Library patrons can help support Port Colborne's Reach Out Food Centre and reduce library fines by donating non-perishable items at the Port Colborne Library.

How does Food for Fines work? One donated food item = \$1 in overdue fines waived to a maximum of \$10.00. (This applies only to overdue fines and not to replacement costs for lost or damaged items.) Food items needed most are: peanut butter, cereal, canned fruit & vegetables, Hamburger Helper, pasta sauce, canned meats, crackers, large juices & juice boxes.

This year's theme for Ontario Library

Week, Libraries Connect/Bibliothèques Branchées, is a great reminder of just how essential libraries are in the interconnected world in which we live. Libraries are at the centre of Canadian communities, providing a public space for people to meet, learn, connect and grow. Drop by the Port Colborne Public Library to connect with others and support our local food bank during Ontario Public Library Week.

PROGRAMS

Kids Yoga with Nadia: for children ages 4 to 12. Thursdays, Oct. 11 to December 13, 4:00-5:00 p.m. Cost: 10-week session is \$40.00 or \$5.00 per class drop-in.

Please bring a yoga mat, blanket or towel. To register, call Nadia Esposito at 905-329-9841.

Mom and Baby Yoga with Nadia:

Thursdays, Oct. 25, November 8, 22 & 29, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Connect with your baby and other moms in the community while enjoying a yoga class. Learn simple techniques to rebuild strength, improve flexibility and bond with baby. Cost: 4-week introductory session is \$40.00 or \$13.00 per drop-in. Please bring a yoga mat, blanket or towel. To register, call Nadia Esposito at 905-329-9841.



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Nadia Esposito will lead a yoga class for four to 12 year old children at Port Colborne Public Library every Thursday from Oct. 11 to Dec. 13.

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■ HUMANE SOCIETY

Keep barking about dog complaints

PeihamNEWS Staff

WAINFLEET — Welland and District Humane Society paid a visit to Wainfleet council last week to give a presentation on what it does.

The visit came after political questions over what services it offers in the township and criticisms that it doesn't respond

quickly enough to complaints.

Mayor April Jeffs said the society's executive director, John Greer, told aldermen that complaints can sometimes be addressed through a long process and that the person complaining must follow through.

"He said many times people don't go through with the whole process,"

Jeffs said some people have complained to her about barking dogs or dogs chasing people on bicycles.

"I haven't had a lot of complaints."

The mayor said Greer will forward the humane society's protocols so council will have more knowledge of what it does.



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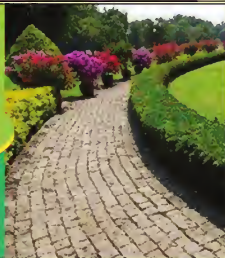


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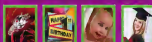


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Christopher Wilson and Judy Brennan of Port Colborne are proud to announce that their son Mark was awarded his Ph.D. in physics from St. John's College, University of Cambridge, U.K. in July, 2012. Mark investigated new solar-cell technologies under Professor Sir Richard Friend in the Optoelectronics Group at the Cavendish Laboratory. Mark is a graduate of C.M.T.I., Port High, and Queen's University. Mark has moved to Boston to begin a post-doctoral research position with Professor Moungi Bawendi at the Center for Electronics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

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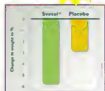
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